NEWSPAPER MEN OF VERMONT IN ANNUAL MEETING

Members of Press Association Guests of the University at a Banquet in the Gymnasium, Following a Business Session with Addresses by Dr. Talcott Williams and President K. L. Butterfield and Papers of Technical Nature.

seven days.

royally entertained by the Uni-Vermont with an afternoon a sumptuous banquet in the evethe college gymnasium. mics department of the university, trench and in camp. Dr. Talcott Williams, head of the ward in nine days, the next 100,000 in dumbia University School of Journalm, and by President K. L. Butterfield were justified of the elder son of seifthe Massachusetts College of Agri- government, a free press, and publicity Papers of a technical nature ere read by members of the associa-

lon, followed by discussion. the meeting of the association is the annual one, officers were lindley of Rutland; secretary-treasurr. John T. Cushing of St. Albans; viceseveral counties-Wheeler of Vergennes: J. E. Appelt of lardwick; Chittenden, Joseph Auld of Lamoille, L. P. Thaver of orrisville: Orange, Misa Sara K. Parof Newport; Butland, C. T. Fair-Hubbard of Brattlebore; Wind- manity, or, C. R. Jamason of White River elected: The Rev. W. R. Davenport. editor of the Springfield Reporter; W. the Hays Advertising Eurlington; F. J. Brabston, uttered the verdict of the American peoditor of the Deerfield Valley Times at

brough a number of the university build-Williams Science building, and program that two papers had to be omitted the State and party with which he of Burlington. Belknap of Bellows Falls, G. S. Bennett the newspaper man. Northfield, Otto R. Bennett of Man-W. H. Crockett of Burlington, J. T. Cush- Columbia University owes its existence. lowe of Burlington, F. E. Howe of plished without thorough training, to member, R. W. McCuen of Vergennes.

WELCOMED BY PRESIDENT

President Guy Potter Benton welcomed made an annual event with mutual ad- townslists, than the law school vantage of the two agencies that are the medical school can make munt of the State.

Atkins for the getting out of his suc- at work outside of New York; on constal new spaper, to have one man New York papers it has more than 30 mad at a time and to keep one mad all men. Its work is as much needed in the the time. He referred to the democratic rural weekly as in the Metropolitan onvention at Cincinnati in 1880 when an daily and will be as valuable. apparent deadlock was broken by the ticket, mainly through the efforts of Mr. task is that when it has educated thes ment is equal to any task through the suring it of the character and equip contact with every class of people. The and enduring task. title of Dr. Williams' address was Journalism in the War," and he spoke NEWSPAPER TOPICS DISCUSSED.

in part as follows:

DR. WILLIAMS' ADDRESS. A nation lives in its boundaries. The center may forget patriotism, the fron-tier never. Vermont has always been departments of the State government and a conscious frontier. Again and again, of the advertising appropriations of a the Green Mountain State have known Contracts for this advertising were placed and spoken the national will, in the Rev- through the Hays agency. Mr. Belknap olution and after, in the slavery issue had no recommendations to make as to and since. First of all these green hills any better way of handling this business linew independence. Foremost, their sons for the State than through an agency. has never been without its place and discussion. its voice in the national councils and A paper on the "Advertising Age of the party and people.

in this war. Opinion was never more Langley believes, when he will receive powerful and never had a wider inter- his pay from the advertiser for whom he United State-, judge for the district of thought every newspaper man ought to Touring cars formed the principal but Clardi steadily grew worse until nurchases.

ectings of the Vermont Press associa- when war began, stopped all news. Rewas held in this city Friday, cruiting paused. England was fighting the newspaper men of the State for its life and in 23 days only 100,000 men volunteered when 3,000,000 soldiers were needed. A conference was called on at the beautiful Billings library of the leaders of the nation and the leaders of the press. Reluctantly, Lord The Kitchener and the cabinet granted the tter function was a distinctly Ver- demand of the newspaper men that news at repast with all the viands, with should be printed, not of military moveew exceptions, Vermont products, ments, but of the soldier at his work, in battle, in retreat or It has taken 23 afternoon session was marked by days to get 100,000 men without news. ddresses of rare inspirational merit With news the next 100,000 stepped for-Republican institutions

proved again the defense and safeguard of a free people. The American press had another duty not less important. By long tradition by wise policy, by just principle and by United States is neutral in this war. The government is silent save on national rights The people have had no official voice on the chief issue. But America. neutrality has never been indifferent to moral issues or without a just and imof nations. With half humanity at war, the American press had to speak for the of Bradford, Orleans, D. W. Hil. only powerful people at peace, Our newspapers have done their duty for our eld of Rutland; Washington, Mrs. P. land and the world, for our people and Northfield: Windham, all peoples, for civilization and for hu-Without bitterness, with partisanship, defending no one cause members were and condemning either party to conflict ed rules of civilized warfare the American press, as a whole, day by day has

> Nowhere else has each cause had its advocates and its supporters. No where in the world has there been doub that the American press has spoken for the nation, for humanity and anticipated were conducted the verdict of history and slow time.

Never before have the newspapers of Professor any land had this duty to discharge Votey and W. H. Crockett, editor of the and it has been met with courage, with They were shown sagacity with justice and with restrain building, the col- and with reserve, because in its own of engineering, the museum, the chosen field, be it hamlet, village, town Morrill city or metropolis, the newspaper ma H. Gilpin of Barton in free communities, each part of a free meeting to order at three people, has in the day's affairs a daily clock and it was not till 6:30 that a duty to mediate, to represent, to judge hour of the and accurately voice and to reprieve the amount. Such was the length of the opinion and verdict of the community, The roll was called associated. Self-government and the by Secretary L. B. Johnson of Randolph consciousness of a free people in its in its consummation was the dinner of and the following members responded; whole and in its parts, is only possible

The great journalist g of St Albans, W. H. Gilpin of Bar- saw that the high task and this great M. Hays of Burlington, W. B. work could not be adequately accom-

like of Brattleboro, J. L. Southwick of training in the art of expression for the Burfington, D. M. Tobin of Swanton, newspaper could only be accomplished Tyler of Enosburg Falls, H. C. young, and he prohibited college tests Whitehill of Waterbury, A. F. Stone of by admitting to the four year course St. Johnsbury, W. H. Wheeler of Ver- of the school students direct from the gennes, Mrs. F. N. Whitney of North- high school, or after newspaper expe field, J. B. Chase of Lyndonville, C. T. rience. Joseph Pulitzer foresaw that in Fairfield of Rutland, L. H. Lewis of the twentieth century the relations of Hyde Park, M J. Majone of Richford, the United States with foreign affairs M. C. Reynolds of Burlington; honorary would become closer and he insisted that those who sought the school, should German or French. He understood that it was more necessary for the journalthe association to Burlington on behalf ernment, the economic structure of so-

of the university, expressing the gratificiety and the whole web of States that cation that he felt in having the news- bear upon the relations of men to each paper men of Vermont as honored guests other than to lay emphasis on the trivial of the State university. He suggested details of the calling. He knew, as the possibility that the meeting of the every one of us here knows, that the editors at the university might well be School of Journalism can no more make working hand in hand for the advance- lawyer or the doctor, but it can lay the foundations on which the newspa-Talcott Williams, head of the per can securely build, and save months Echool of Journalism at Columbia, refer- of future work to the newspaper and scred upon taking the floor to the fact cure the steady development through three months he was a Ver- practical conduct with affairs of the At that time he was young journalist prepared for his work. called to Montpeller by Hiram Atkins The early probate of Mr. Pulitzer's will to take charge of the Argus and Patriot In the graduation of the classes of the while Mr. Atkins was on a vacation. School of Journalism has now gone on its told of a rate laid down by Mr. | for three years. Half of its men are

The demand which the school receives iomination of Hancock to head the for new men shows that its second great Atkins, who was a delegate from Ver- who come to it in the most important Williams stated that this calling in society, it will serve the pur dearly demonstrated to him that a man pose of widening the choice of the newswho edits a weekly newspaper in Ver- paper office, daily and weekly, and astraining which he receives by coming in ment of those whom it sets at our great

A paper was read by W. C. Belknap of the Bellows Falls Times on "Appropria tions by the State for Newspaper Publicity the press and next the people of thousand dollars for a two-year term The commonwealth His paper was followed by an informa-

in no other section has the newspaper written by F. E. Langley, publisher of the office been more open to the leadership Barre Dally Times, was read by Secretary Johnson. In it Mr. Langley discussed the Then, as since, when a new cause, a evolution of the advertising agent and new agitation, or a new situation comes, urged newspapers to have a fixed rate and the leadership of the newspaper, uncon- stick to it. Publishers now have a pretty scious in periods of peace, becomes visi- fair idea of what a line per thousand of bic, necessary and decisive. Of the two circulation is worth. Just rates would creat self-governing lands. England nev- result in more foreign advertising and if r owed more to its newspaper than in Vermont newspapers could get together the past time months, and the American and adopt a uniform rate card it would be was never better represented by to the advantage of all. The advertising agent is as necessary as the architect or News was never more consored than attorney but the time will come, Mr.

really works and not from the newspaper

F. E. Howe, editor of the Lennington spoke informally on certain phases of professional or newspaper courtesy, with especial reference to signed articles and how far newspapers should go in criticism of their neighbors and of

he acts of public officials. "THE COUNTRY EDITOR."

President K. L. Butterfield of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at bread. Amherst delivered an address on "The Country Editor and Rural Progress." He spoke first of what has been called the decline of agriculture in New England, and illustrated his point by telling of the little farm owned by his great-grandfather in Waltsfield one hundred years ago. Land was then occupied by farmers just to get a liv- wiches was made in the dairy department but when the West began to make a living by selling things conditions underwent a change. The little farms of one hundred years ago are no longer profitable but down in the bottom lands Eaton of Royalton. Some of the vegetaof the Connecticut valley are just as bles were furnished by the University good farms as those anywhere in the Middle West. It has not been a decline in agriculture but a transition due to the development of commercial agriculture Of all agricultural lands the value of and Bethel apples, a variety originating the product per acre of improved land in Vermont, were secured by A. J. Eaton

A new faith in agriculture has developed all over New England, as E. Perkins of Burlington. shown by one thousand students in agricultural colloges, a thousand more taking short courses in agriculture and by A. A. Carlton of West Newbury, presiage studying in the agricultural schools association, who brought the model here ing back to the small towns and to Mr. Carlton, presented individual cakes

Farmers must be educated to utilize housands do not know and do not take ville. the pains to learn. Colleges have gone out to the farmer and the State has & Son of Middlebury. been made a class room by the extension Conservation of the soil may come, but results cannot be accomplished of Burlington and by the Maple Grove by legislation. Every last man on the soil must be educated, and this is being done by the agricultural college, the Grange, the church, the Y. M. C. and, perhaps, most important of all, the county fair bureau. Agriculture has become a great public industry. The orunification of all these agencies must be brought about and the who has been an individua farmer One hundred years ago he could live by and for himself, but now when he begin pendence

The fundamental thing is the improv ning together, the community becomes a corporation and county bureaus hely same sort of rule. Mr. Butterfield said, should be applied to the State and extended even to a nation-wide The country editor should make some study of the subject. He can spread the news of helps to agriculture and there s more chance for this in Vermont than in most States. He can preach co-op eration and progress at all seasons, urg ing the doing of things together. can get out the boys and girls and make them feel there is a career ahead of

THE BANQUET.

A feature of the meeting that unique in its conception and delightful Every county in the State conlowing a smoker, with songs and cheers. tied with a green and gold ribbon, the ucts and said that the idea of advertiscover bearing a picture of a newspaper ing home products was going to work press, the seal of the university and the wonders. fermont coat of arms in green ink. The bill of fare was as follows: Tomato Purce

Dinner Biscuit Crisp Crackers Pickled Peaches Sweet Cucumber Pickles Sauted Perch Ginger Rolls

Roast Turkey Cranberry Jelly Hubbard Squash Mashed Potato

> Asparagus Salad Brown Bread Sandwiches

Pumpkin Tarts Vanilla Ice Cream Maple Butternut Sauce Assorted Cakes

Maple Grove Candies Apolio Mints Bethel Apples Cafe Noir Addison County Apples.

A WORD OF EXPLANATION The banquet given by the University of Vermont in honor of the Vermont Press association was prepared and served by the home economics departbeing Vermont girls who are students in

that department. Every county in the State contributed to make this Vermont dinner possible. the products furnished being as follows: Bennington-Ginger alc.

Caledonia-Candy. Chittenden-Milk, cream, cream cheese, flour, malt products, vegetables, candy.

Essex-Potatoes Franklin-Maple syrup Grand Isle-Fish. Lamoille-Butternuts, maple syrup.

Orange-Maple sugar. Orieans-Cranberries. Washington-Butter, crackers.

Windham-Paper for menu cards and

The cranberries were given by the Billings farm in Coventry. The Green Mountain potatoes were given by the Hon. Harland B. Howe,

in Maldstone. by the Thompson & Shaw mill at Weybridge and was ground from Addison county wheat. The wheat flour was given

was made from Vermont grown wheat. The Maited Cereal company of Burling-

The crackers were given by C. H. Gross & Son of Montpelier.

The butternuts were contributed by G. H. Terrill of Morrisville, proprietor of Meadowbrook farm. The butter was furnished by the East Montpeller Co-operative creamery.

The cream cheese used in the sandof the college of agriculture. The corn was given by the Demeritt

company of Waterbury. The asparagus was furnished by A. J.

farm

mouth and winter banana apples were given by C. 1. Witherell of Middlebury, of Royalton.

Belleflower, delicious Northern Spy, Tin

The mince ples were contributed by

The centerpiece, a model of the battle ship, Vermont, in maple sugar, was made several thousand boys of high school dent of the Vermont Maple Sugar Makers' of this section. Young men are com- and set it up. The association, through of maple sugar to the guesta. The maple syrup was furnished by A. T. Curtis of resent helps on agriculture, of which St. Albans and G. H. Terrill of Morris-

> The honey was presented by J. E. Crane Candies were given by Arbuckle & Co. and the Crystal Confectionery company

company of St. Johnsbury. The cigars (Vermont made) were contributed by the Hays Advertising

Agency. The coffee (Vermont ground) was fur nished by Berry, Hall & Co. of Burling-

The ginger ale was given by Equinox Spring company of Manchester. The flowers and plants used for table decorations were furnished from the uni-

The paper on which the leaflet and the nenu card were printed was made in the nill of the Robertson Paper company at Bellows Falls and was given by the president, Hon, Frederick H. Babbitt. The printing was done by the Free Press Printing company.

The exhibits of food products included general line of confectionery by the Crystal Confectionery company and Arbuckle & Co. of Burlington; crackers. bread and cookles by C. H. Cross & Son of Montpeller; apple jelly by D. B. Dwinell of East Calais: raspberry jan by Darrow & Aikin of Putney; canned sweet corn by the Demeritt company of Waterbury; canned corn and canned string beans by H. C. Baxter & Bro., a firm which operates several canning factories in Vermont; cereal products by the Maited Cereals company of Burlington; mince meat, orange marmalade and boile cider apple sauce by F. E. Perkins of Burlington; bottled sodas, Clarendon Bottling Works, Center Rutland.

THE SPEECHES. President Benton introduced the toastmaster of the evening, Dr. F. E. the University of Vermont and the mem Clark, by referring to this popular member of the medical faculty as breakfast Friday noon at Vermont products given by the University "Stubby." the name by which he is Van Ness. Covers were laid for 60. W. C. through the professional utterance of of Vermont at the gymnasium Priday eve- familiarly known by the college boys on the hill. Dr. Clark, in taking charge being no speeches nor formalities, tributed to make the dinner possible, of the post-prandial exercises, remanner under the direction mont product, having lived in Mass- Governor the breakfast was served. At the Lord Electric Co. of Boston will do all efforts to trace her have been in of Prof. Bertha Terrill of the home achusetts until he was twenty-two economics department, and pretty Ver- years old, but stating that he did not Gov. C. W. Gates, Mayor A. S. Drew, will be constructed of Barre granite from Boston, as detectives there found a suit mont girls served it with neatness and grow up there. He made a most able the Rev. George W. Davenport of St. Bennington, I. B. Johnson of Randolph, provide which he left an endowment of dispatch. About 100 persons, including toastmaster and his remarks in intro-M. Rose of Enosburg Falls, H. C. \$2,000,000. He knew, as a writer, that members of the association, ladies and ducing the various speakers abounded invited guests, enjoyed the hospitality of in ready wit and at times in eloquence. President Talcott Williams of the successful contractor erected the new reason for her leaving home and they the university. Small tables seating ten Dr. Clark first called upon Governor or a dozen were placed at right angles Charles W. Gates to extend to the press to a long table, at which places were association a welcome in behalf of the Press association, W. B. Howe of the and his work was satisfactory. reserved for President Benton of the State. The Governor gave the press a university. President H. L. Hindley of tribute for its work in behalf of Verthe Press association, ex-President W. mont and said he doubted if any State of the secretary of state office and Car-H. Gilpin, Governor Gates, Mayor Drew, has newspapers more free from deex-Governor G. H. Prouty, Lieutenant served criticism. None are more loyal Governor H. K. Darling, Secretary of to their State, he said, and to the peo-State G. W. Bailey, State Commissioner ple whom they serve. Speaking from of Education M. S. Stone, Dr. Palcott a personal experience extending over Williams. President K. L. Butterfield, 11 years, the Governor said that hardly C. J. Swan of Boston, Dr. F. E. Clark a man was under greater obligations of this city, who acted as toastmuster, to the press than he and he took this and others. Grace was said by the Rev. opportunity of publicly acknowledging W. R. Davenport of Springfield, and an it. He attributed to the newspapers in hour was devoted to the dinner, during no small degree whatever success he which several pleasing selections were may have had in public life. He said given by the college male quartette. An he had been the subject of criticism, unexpected incident was the appearance all of which he considered helpful i of the student body in the gallery, fol- not at all times deserved. He con-The menu was printed on brown paper cess of its banquet of Vermont prod-

> Mayor A. S. Drew welcomed the members of the association to Burlington. duty which he was proud to fullfil He referred to the presence of former bury, and said that were Mr. Bigelow the city's present chief executive a fore eloquent welcome could be extended than any he could offer. Mayor Drew spoke of how admirably Burlington is equipped with hotels and un-to-date railroad facilities as exem-

plified by its new union station. One of the best responses of the ev ning was that made by former Lieut. Gov. Frank E. Howe of Bennington, who responded to the toast "Every Vermont Newspaper Should Be a Press Agent for Vermont Products." Mr. Howe said that continually criticised for errors that they inadvertently contain, no thought being there were in the United States 348 taken that while a clergyman has a establishments manufacturing whole week in which to prepare his ser- plete automobiles, their output being mon the newspaper editor has to pres- 573,114 machines, valued at \$465,042,ent in each issue an abstract of the 474 whole history of the world right in the

ort responded to dress was delivered in this same hall in manufactured during 1914, those operated and shortly after arriving at the house 1909 at the time of the tercentenary. That was a great advertisement for 568,399, and those operated by electric Vermont and there were great men power, 4.715, as compared with 123,452 Ciardi take some medicine, but he represent, his mention of Taft and Hughes operated by gasoline or steam, and 3,835 fused. being greeted with applause.

go to church every Sunday and that the type manufactured during both census he died, about the middle of the after press should be continually optimistic. The entire wheat flour was furnished He said it was a great pleasure to meet of machines was 454,876, valued at \$51,so many old friends on his re-appear- 585,518, compared with 75,189, valued at to make public. ance as a public speaker.

Dr. Talcott Williams said that newsby the Burlington Flouring company and paper men are the only ones who go to church professionally except the ministers, and that their optimism is ton gave Malted Breakfast Food which amazing when one considers the pubwas used in the malt nut bread and Malt- lie men whom they know. The greated Flour, which was used in the brown est foe of evil is publicity and reforms accomplished by the work of newspa- manufactured in 1914, compared with pers are little short of marvelous. A selection by the college male quar-

> little speech by Miss Sara K. Parker Bardford on Vermont's possibility as a summer resort. She said it would be hard to find any place in Vermont that would not develop into a haven of rest. Every season brings out some new beauty but we are beginning to wake up to the fact that scenery is not the whole asset. Vermont is prepared with its small hotels and boarding houses to welcome a greatly increased tory should be made an attraction, she said, and she mentioned some of the possibilities in linking the stories of the Indian raids, the New Hampshire Grants, the revolution, and the early the places that are to be visited. Euwhy so many tourists are attracted there

> Carroll J. Swan of Boston, an advertising man, told a number of amusing stories. He took the opportunity to speak of the Associated Advertising Clubs of America with their ten thouannual convention this year in Philadelphia. Boston has a strong associa tion and its members are going by special boat to this convention. He invited the newspaper men of Vermont to go with them.

The ladies' college quartet sang selection with plano accompaniment and were warmly encored. Lieutenant-Gov. Hale K. Darling of Chelsea was called upon by the toastmaster to speak in place was unable to be present. Mr. Darling's brief remarks abounded in characteristic humor. He complimented Mr. Howe, who had spoken carlier, upon the able character of his remarks and then poked some fun at him by saying that he Mr. Howe was dissatisfied with the choice of the twelve apostles, which he learned was not made by direct primaries

State Commissioner of Education Mason S. Stone of Montpelier was the last He called the newspaper fellow educators, and told of the first greater Vermont meeting held at St. Johnsbury in May, 1906. He made public acknowledgment of the aid he had re ceived in conducting these meetings from former newspaper man, Frank L. Greene of St. Albans, now congressman from the first district. He also thanked other newspaper men for their aid. He said that never before was the tone of the Vermont press better or its influence greater than now and he was happy to associate himself with the members o the Vermont Press association as fellow

GUESTS OF A. P. HOWARD.

Vermont Newspaper Men Have Noor

Breakfast at Van Ness. Arthur Platt Howard, editor of Th Advance, entertained the Governor, the It was purely a social function, there

The gues arrived shortly before the first table with Mr. Howard sat the electric work for \$3,990. The building vain. It is known that she went to Paul's Church, President Guy Potter Marr & Gordon having been given the all trace of her ended there. Accord-Free Press association, Joseph Auld of the Burlington News, W. H. Crockett LARGEST BATTLESHIP

The menu was made up of old-fash ioned, country dishes, dessert, and, of course, Maillard's candy. was served piping hot and under the personal direction of Manager Smith and an extra force of waitresses.

The Rev. George W. Davenport asked the blessing. Among the guests were Howard E. Savory. John E. A. Hussey, Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. vania has been given several dock tests B. Horton, Mr. aud Mrs. Arthur F. Miss Saru Parker, Mrs. Charles Parker will easily meet the contract requirements and Mrs. Erval M. Whitney, Frank E. as to speed, endurance and fuel consump-Howe, L. B. Johnson, E. J. Tyler, tion T. Fairfield, W. B. Fairfield, W. J. Bigelow, L. H. Lewis, John B. Chase, J. L. Southwick. Frank L. Freeman, turrets on the center line, is declared by Arthur W. Dow, S. Frederic Jones, Cleveland, G. A. Bennett, M. J. Maloney, D. M. Rose, L. M. Hays, C. A. Brigham, W. A. Myers, M. C. Reynolds, Alfred Archer, George H. Brewster, F. E. Strawser, Harris Lindsay, James P. Taylor and Max L. Powell.

ENORMOUS GROWTH OF AUTO INDUSTRY

Figures of the 1914 Census Just Washington, D. C., Feb. 17 .- A pre-

sults of the 1914 census of manufaceditor need never worry because he at turers for the automobile industry is ways receives plenty of advice on how issued to-day by the bureau of census, department of commerce.

The returns show that during 1914

At the 1909 census 315 establishment of the university, the waitresses making. Mistakes are published broad-ments were reported as engaged in the cast and thrown in his face the next manufacture of automobiles either as morning by men whose opinions would a primary or as a subsidiary product. not amount to anything in a dog fight, and their output was 127,287 machines, He spoke of the wiles of the press agent. valued at \$165,099,040. During the five Private and State or some important years 1909-1914 there has thus been community interests all have their pub- an increase of 350.3 per cent. in the licity agents and are all continually de- number of automobiles manufactured, manding space He declared that the and of 181.7 per cent, in their total editor of the smallest weekly is doing value. The fact that the increase in more than any one citizen to advance the value of output during the five years Clardi probably took his own life, alinterests of his community. The coun- was much smaller, relatively, than the try can exist without cities, but cities increase in number of machines made cannot live without the country, and is accounted for not only by a gen-newspaper editors do not do their duty eral reduction in prices, but also by unless they carry into every home the the production of a larger proportion ters, one of the latter being married,

> by gasoline or steam power numbered He by electric power, manufactured in 1909, called in and administered stimulants.

years. In 1914 the output of this class \$113,519,575, in 1909. Of the total produc tion for 1914, the number designed for pleasure or family use was 644,255, com- last summer was instrumental in startpared with 119,190 in 1909. purposes and for use as public cabs, in financial difficulty for some time. omnibuses, ambulances, patrol wagons fire-fighting machines, and for other business purposes, 24.144 machines were The output of delivery wagons and trucks was 22,753 in 1914 tet was followed by a happily expressed compared with 2,711 in 1902.

VERMONT CONCERNED IN RATE INVESTIGATION

Boston into New England

. Milk and Cream Transportation. Boston, Feb. 17 .- An investigation into the methods of transportations and rates on milk and cream in New England was begun here to-day by Chairman C. C. number of summer visitors. Local his- McChord of the interstate commence com

All the New England reads, the State granges of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, the public service commissions of New Hampshire and Massachusetts. nearly all the wholesale milk dealers in New England and the Boston Chamber rope is strong on history and that is of Commerce were represented at the hearing.

After the appearance of counsel had been recorded a recess was taken to discuss the plan of procedure.

STATE BEE KEEPERS.

G. C. Spencer Re-elected President 41st Annual Meeting.

Middlebury, Feb. 17 .- The 41st annual onvention of the Vermont Bee Keepers association was held at the Addison fouse to-day. The meeting was called o order at 19:00 a. m. by President G. Spencer of Vergennes. Reports of the secretary and treasurer, Phillip E. Crans of Middlebury, showed the association to be in a good condition. The president's terest to the bee keeper. M. F. Cram of Bridgewater talked on "The Secret of securing a Good Crop of Comb Honey, followed by a general discussion on "The Spraying of Fruit Trees While in Blos-

At 1:30 p. m. reports of several committees were given followed by the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, G. C. Spencer of Vergennes: vice-presidents, C. Davis of Grand Isle, M. P. Cramm of Bridgewater and R. H. Holmes of Shoreham; secretary and treasurer, P. Manchester of Middle bury. P. E. Crane of Middlebury spoke on "Co-operation;" G. C. Spencer of Vergennes discussed "Feeding Back to Fill Unfinished Sections;" and I. Davis and

J. E. Crane of Middlebury on "The Necessity for and Growth of Interest in Sweet Clover." The inspectors also gave an interesting talk on "The Foul Brood

STATE BUILDING CONTRACTS

ommission Accepts Bid of George T Kelly of Yonkers, N. Y-Barre Granite to Be Used.

Montpeller, Feb. 17 .- The State building commission has awarded the contract for the construction of the building to be used for the State library, supreme court, etc., to the lowest bidder, George T. Kelly of caused her complete break-down, bers of the Vermont Press association at Yonkers, N. Y., whose bid was \$139,483. The commission, however has made a four daughters. Catherine. change in the specifications so that the Maud and Iola, and one son, Samuel contract price will be about \$10,000 less. Morrison The Isaac Coffin company of Boston has and immediately on the arrival of the fitting, their bid having been \$8,969, and from her home about six weeks ago and the Wetmore & Merse quarry, the firm of case belonging to her in a store. Benton of the University of Vermont, contract for furnishing the material. The ing to her family, there was no known Columbia College of Journalism. Presi- high school building in this city, the are hopeful that she may in some mandent Wallace H. Gilpin of the Vermont cost of which was \$100,000 in round figures, ner learn of her mother's death and

ON SPEED TEST TRIP at her late home here Tuesday after-

Superdreadunught Pennsylvania

Newport News, Va., Feb. 17 .- The super dreadnaught Pennsylvania, the largest battleship yet built for the U. S. navy. left the plant of the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock company early to-day for Rockland, Me., to run the official government speed and endurance trials. During the past few weeks the Pennsy! Sarence P. Cowles. Mr. and Mrs. Guy and her engines and bollers put into prime

The Pennsylvania, with her main battery of twelve 14-inch rifles mounted in four naval experts to be the most powerful pounds, which is said to be greater than he broadside fire of the Queen Elizabeth of the British navy, which mounts eight 5-inch rifles. The Pennsylvania is 600 feet ong and will have a full load displacement of nearly 33,000 tons. She is 97 per cent. completed and will be ready for delivery within a few months.

PROBE CIARDI'S DEATH.

Barre, Feb. 20 .- State Pathologist

Bingham H. Stone of the State Lab atory, Burlington, assisted by Dr. Charles F. Whitney, performed an autopsy this afternoon on the body of Richard Ciardi, a leading Italian of this city and a merchant, who presumably committed suicido Saturday by taking poison. State's Attorney Fred E. Gleason of Montpelier was present at the autopsy, which was held to determine the cause of death and the nature of the poison if any was taken The vital organs were removed by the oratory for examination.

State's Attorney Gleason commenced an investigation as soon as he was not tified of the death and said to-day that no one was under suspicion and that though one or two circumstances do not coincide nicely.

Ciardi, who was 54 years old, and married, with two sons and two daugh complained of being ill. A physician was summoned and endeavored to have Later the family doctor was

noon. He left a letter which the authorities secured, but have decided not

Clardi was one of the Italian Co-operative store and ing a similar business. He has been

SUPREME COURT'S SPECIAL TERM ENDS

Brattleboro, Feb. 17.-The special term of the supreme court which has been in session here since Tuesday morning came to a close this afternoon. Several cases were submitted on briefs.

The case of Manley Brothers, garage proprietors, against the Boston & Maine railroad and the Crystal Springs Ice company, appellant, a trover action to recover for six automobile radiators the plaintiff claims were not delivered, was submitted

The case of Leslie E. Stratton of Willlamsville against Holden & Martin of Brattleboro, involving a lumber deal in which the county court gave judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of \$716.13, was argued this morning.

The arguments in the case of Dana H. Gilman, administrator, against the Hoosac Tunnel & Wilmington railroad, were begun this morning. This has to do with the death of Roberto Domencini, a section hand on the defendant railroad, who was killed by a fall of rock. A verdict against the company for \$2,000 was given last September by a jury in the county court.

RUTLAND MAN NEW REG. QUARTERMASTER

Lieutenant Harry N. Eastman Appointed by Colonel Reeves.

Rutland, Feb. 30 .- Licut. Harry Eastman, senior first licutenant in the First Vermont regiment, Vermont National Guard, has been appointed regimental quartermaster with the rank of captain by Col. I. L. Reeves. The announcement was made through an order issued from the office of Adjutant-Genera

Lee S. Tillotson of St. Albans. Lieutenant Eastman succeeds Capt. George W. Grandy of Burlington, who has served in the capacity of regimental quartermaster since 1913.

Lieutenant Eastman enlisted in Company A. Vermont National Guard, as a private on December 4, 1900. His first anpointment, to the office of corporal, was made in August, 1901, and he was adto the grade of sergeant on August 12, 1902, just a year later. He was commissioned second lieutenant on March 15. 1901, and he was commissioned first lieutenant on May 16, 1905, an office which he has filled efficiently ever since

The advancement of Lieutenant Eastman to the staff office will leave a vacancy in the rank of Company A of this city which will be filled by an election to be provided for in an order from the office of the adjutant-general.

GIRL'S DISAPPEARANCE HASTENED MOTHER'S END

Death of Mrs. Reuben Morrison of St. Johnsbury-No News of Missing Girl.

St. Johnsbury, Feb. 20.-Mrs. Reuben Morrison, aged 49, died at her home here this morning after a year's iliness. Although Mrs. Morrison poor health for a long time, the disappearance of her Geraldine, about six weeks ago had preyed on her mind and this undoubtedly sides her busband, Mrs. Morrison leaves

Miss Geraldine Morrison, a student in return to St. Johnsbury, where a wel-

come awaits her. Mrs. Morrison's funeral will be held

Bennington K. C.'s Incorporate. Montpeller, Feb. 17 .- Members of Bennington Council, No. 207, K. of C., have illed articles of association with the secto be known as the Bennington K. of C Home association, Inc., without capital stock. There are 14 subscribers.

THREE FIRES IN ONE DAY. Bellows Falls, Feb. 39.-The fire department vas called three different times be-Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Tobin, this month. The builders predict that she tween 2:20 and five o'clock this morning to the building numbered from 8 to 14 Westminster street and owned by Dennis

Scurletis. The first alarm was for a small blaze in a store occupied by Fred C. Cookson a tailor, and H. P. Sweet, sewing machine agent. Ten minutes after the desea fighter affoat. A broadside shell fire partment had left the place a still alarm from her big guns would weigh 18,000 recalled them to the building. Upon their return they found a stiff blaze in progress. This fire completely gutted the tailor shop and the stock and fixtures in the millinery store of Miss Nona Hennessey were practically destroyed by fire and water. The Olympian pool parstroyed. Goodell and Goodell, who con ducted jointly a fancy work store and undertaking rooms, had a small smoke damge. The third alarm was a still one and was for a fire in a partition on the second floor, which is occupied as lodging

cooms by Greeks.

Friend-Got a cold, I see.

Jinks-Yes, a little one. "You ought to be very careful. That ough needs attention." "Think so?"

"It has a regular graveyard sound. "Awful dangerous time for people with olds-influenza, pneumonia, and quick

onsumption everywhere." "Eh "" "Yes. A friend of mine took a cold. ot half as bad as yours, last week, and n three days he was dead."

"My stare!" "Fact. The doctor said my friend might have pulled through if he hadn't worried so much. Take my advice, and try not to think about it."-Sacred

Heart Review. NOW FEELS ENTIRELY WELL

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